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PA 18-100—sHB 5241 *General Law Committee*

AN ACT CONCERNING PHARMACIST AND PRACTITIONER COMPLIANCE RATES AND THE ELECTRONIC PRESCRIPTION DRUG MONITORING PROGRAM

SUMMARY: This act requires the public health and consumer protection commissioners to review pharmacists' and prescribing practitioners' compliance rate with the electronic Prescription Drug Monitoring Program's (PMP) requirements. By January 1, 2019, the commissioners must submit a joint report to the General Law and Public Health committees with their shared recommendations, if any, to achieve a 100% compliance rate.

By law, (1) prescribers or their designees must consult the PMP database before issuing certain prescriptions for controlled substances and (2) pharmacists and dispensing practitioners must submit data to the PMP database promptly after dispensing controlled substance prescriptions (CGS § 21a-254(j)).

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon passage